

# Alumni News

## IN MEMORY

**Larry Rizzo (AT '90)** died October 23, 1991 in a plane crash in New Jersey. Larry was a member of the LAS Society while at LeTourneau.

## BABIES

### 70's

**Beth (Nilsen) (DT '74)** and **Dave Borkman** announce the birth of their fourth child, Rachel Joy was born March 28, 1991 and weighed 9 lbs., 10 ozs. She joins David (12), Faith (10) and Peter (5).

**Steve (ET '78)** and **Sylvia (MA '79) Walls Biggs** would like everyone to know that Angela Suzanne, 11 yrs is officially their daughter. Angela's adoption was final July 9, 1991.

**Ray (AUT '79)** and **Beverly Deck** now have a third child, Nathan Thomas. He was born June 24, 1991. He joins Raymond (5) and Steven (3).

**Faith "Brader" ('79-81)** and **Steve Olson** were blessed with a baby boy. David John was born September 19, 1991.

### 80's

**Victor (EE '80)** and **Cindy Paul** announce the birth of their son David Gordon on August 31, 1991. He joins his 2 1/2 yr. old sister, Sarah Elizabeth.

**Rick (BU/AT '81)** and **Susan Ricknell** have a second child, Kaylee Jordan was born July 1, 1991 and is the little sister of Daniel Jay. Kaylee weighed 6 lbs., 11 ozs.

**Jeff (BU/AT '82)** and **Deb Johnson** are happy about the arrival of Rachel Ann. She was born June 19, 1991 in Monroe, NC, and weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. Her big sister is Becky.

**David (WT '82)** and **Leah James' ('82-83) Crement** were blessed with Hannah Michelle on August 18, 1991. The 7 lbs., 13 oz. girl was welcomed home by brother Jonathan David.

**Robin (MU/AT '82)** and **Donna Ditts** announce the arrival of Julia Megan. She was born on August 31, 1991.

**Steve (MT '83)** and **Beth Gale** are proud of their new son, Nathan Stuart was born September 3, 1991.

**Carli Asplund' (BY/CH '83)** and **Wendel Nelson** have been enjoying Jonathan Luke since his birth, June 6, 1991. His brother Jeffery (2) welcomed him home.

**Mary Joe (BU '83)** and **Marty (DM '83) Block** wanted everyone to know about their daughter Jane Anne. Jane was born October 3, 1990 in Wisconsin.

**Patricia "Mark" (MT '84)** and **Richard Effert** announce the birth of Annie Lorraine. She was born July 25, 1991 in Houston, TX.

**Larry (BU/AT '84)** and **Jane Heintz** announce the birth of Laura Danielle on May 17, 1991. She was born in England where the Heintzs work with MAF.

**Phil (AT '84)** and **Karina Kuitens** have a second child, Abigail Joy was born August 20, 1991 and joins brother Philip Merle. Phil works for USAir and is on the Steering Committee for the LAS Society.

**John (CSE '84)** and **Mary Willinson** announce the birth of Ryan Taylor on June 6, 1991. He has a brother, David (2).

**Clint (MT '85)** and **Janele Stewart** are very proud of Ethan James. Ethan was born June 28, 1991 and weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz.

**Scott (ME '85)** and **Elizabeth Hottle** have a son, Jared Scott was born March 3, 1991 and weighed 8 lbs. He has a 3 yr. old sister named Molly.

**Ladina "Molby" (BU/IM '86)** and **Doug (AT '85) Winger** have their first child, Andrew Douglas was born in Longview, Texas on September 9, 1991 and weighed 7 lbs., 9 ozs. Ladina was the Secretary for the Alumni Executive Committee last year.

**Ira (IM '85)** and **Laura Nelson** are very proud of Jonathan Earl. He was born in Longview, Texas on September 11, 1991 and weighed 6 lbs., 14 ozs.

**David (EE '86)** and **Laura Macknight** are the proud parents of Catherine Leigh. Catherine was born August 1, 1991 and weighed 7 lbs., 4 ozs. She was welcomed home by 3 1/2 yr. old brother Patrick. David is a Design Engineer for Decibel Products.

**Rebecca Huffman' (AT '86)** and **Wesley (AT '87) Givens** announce the arrival of Hannah Elizabeth. She was born August 25, 1991 and weighed 8 lbs., 3 ozs.

**P. Mark (EE '87)** and **Robyn Osterhus** announce the arrival of Megan Ruth on June 14, 1991. She weighed 7 lbs., 4 ozs and was 19.5 in. long.

**Larry (WT '87)** and **Sharon (EN '86-87) Douglas** are so excited about Jonathan Norman. He was born June 7, 1991 and weighed 8 lbs., 11 ozs. He joins Ruth (13), Rebekah (11), Bethany (8) and Joel (6).

**Eli Velazquez Rossetti (BU '88)** and **James (ME '87) Tuppence** are excited about their first child, Michael Jonathan was born on June 30, 1991 in Mexico City. He checked in at 20 in. and 6.8 lbs.

### 90's

**Rynn (ET '90)** and **Anna Parker** announce the arrival of Fletcher Hawken on September 26, 1991. He is the third child for the Parkers. They currently live in Houston, Texas.

## WEDDING BELLS

### 70's

**Loretta Wallace (ED/MA '76)** married **David Hill** on June 15, 1991 in Houston, Texas. Loretta is a teacher at Dulles High School.

**Marcia Winters (BI '79)** married **Tom Muncey** on July 20, 1991 in Houston, Texas. Marcia is a computer system administrator at Tallwood Baptist Church and Tom is a St. Petroleum Engineer with Ralph E. Davis & Assoc.

### 80's

**Debra Fulghum (ME '80)** and **Sam Robey** were married August 17, 1991. They live in Fort Worth where Deb is an Engineer for S.W. Bell Telephone Co. and Sam works as an Accountant.

**Joel Barker (AT '81)** and **Beth Nash** were married February 16, 1991. Joel is a pilot/mechanic and directs the work of Helminsson in the United States.

**Karen Tusek ('84)** married **Jim Gibbs** on December 20, 1990. They live in Arlington, Texas. Karen works for Cardiovascular Concepts and Jim is a reporter for the Arlington News. Happy Anniversary!

**Bill Panagiotopoulos (ET '86)** named **Karen Clark** on September 21, 1991 in Medford, New Jersey. Bill is an Engineer for National Data Corp.

**Timothy J. Tobias (AT/bu '87)** married **Sze Sze Low** on August 3, 1991 in California. They currently live in Fremont, California.

**Chris M. Holmes (ME '88)** and **Sherrie L. Krause** were married on March 30, 1991. The wedding took place in Banff, Alberta, Canada.

**Stephen J. Frez (ME '89)** and **Alice D. Mealy ('88-89)** were married July 28, 1990. They currently live in East Berlin, PA. Stephen works for Knouse Foods Cooperative.

### 90's

**Dale Mose (ET '90)** married **Talitha Chischilly** on July 5, 1991. The wedding took place in Farmington, New Mexico.

**Michelle Craig (EE '90)** and **Larry Davies** were married on September 28, 1991. The wedding took place in Pennsylvania. They currently live in Schneidsville.

**Deborah A. Lang (AC/BU '90)** married **Tom Gerard (MT '91)** on August 17, 1991. They currently live in Longview, Texas.

**Kristi Carlson (PA '91)** and **Brian Wharton** were married August 31, 1991 in Longview, Texas. They now live in Jacksonville, Texas.

**Doug W. Anderson (ME '91)** and **Starr M. Pitts (BI '91)** were married on August 10, 1991. They now live in Phoenix, Arizona where Doug works for Karsten Manufacturing.

**Jon G. Robertson (ET '91)** married **Deanne E. Coldwell** on September 21, 1991. The wedding took place in Portland, Maine.

## CAREER NEWS

### 60's

**Dennis (AT '64)** and **Kae Emerson** are in Seoul, Korea. Dennis is a Maintenance Manager for Delta Airlines.

**David Hillis (BI '68)** and his wife **Scottie** are now with Shenandoah Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia. David is an Associate Pastor in Youth and Missions.

### 70's

**Carroll (WE '73)** and **Delaney 'Robinson' ('73) Apol** now own B&B Motor Home Rental & Repair in Vancouver, WA. They and their three children are all involved in the new business.

**Jonathan ('73-74)** and **Tamha Abel** are missionaries to Brazil. They are with the Assoc. of Free Lutheran Congregations.

### 80's

**Paul Wittenbach (WE '80)** is a Welding Engineer for Phillips Petroleum in Norway. He presented a paper at the conference "Welding Structures '90" in London this last year.

**Robert D. Brandt ('80-82)** and wife **Brenda** currently live in Lawrence, Kansas. Robert is a Production Superintendent for Flexel, Inc.

**Tim (At '83)** and **Mona Belcher** are now in Veracruz, Mexico. They are working with Dan Hall (AT '83) at the Mexican Indian Training Center. They plan to be in Mexico at least one year.

**Lynn Showalter (WT/MT '84)** was named secretary for the Peninsula Engineers Council. This council has representatives from 21 engineering societies.

**Kirsten Stuber (AC '85)** plans to return from Japan late this year where she has been teaching English.

**Greg (AT '86)** and **Ruth 'Anderson' (CSE '84) Heller** have been accepted as missionaries with Mission Aviation Fellowship. They and their two children look forward to serving in Africa. Greg will be a pilot/mechanic.

**Joe (AT '86)** and **Chris Gannetto** are now missionaries with Baptist Mich-Missions in Alaska. They and their two children are involved in church planting.

**Frank Sedles, III (HE/EN '86)** is an instructor with American West Airlines in California.

**Bruce (AT '87)** and **Jenny Hansen** plan to serve as missionaries in Brazil with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Bruce is a Pilot/Mechanic with JAARS and Jenny is a Registered Nurse. They plan to leave in early 1992.

**Jim (BU '89)** and **Laura Arnold** are now living in Houston, Texas. Jim is an accounting Executive with Oklahoma Investment Casting Corp.

**Scott (EE '89)** and **Brenda Edinger** are living in St. Paul, Minnesota. Scott works in the Data Processing area at Bethel College and Seminary.

### 90's

**Clark (AMT '90)** and **Denise Pedersen** live in Lincoln, Nebraska. Clark is an A&P Mechanic with Duncan Aviation.

**Richard Bringhurst (CST '90)** is currently an Associate Software Engineer with Britco-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Co. in New Jersey. Also, Richard has been accepted into the PhD program at Temple University in Philadelphia.

**Norm Reese (ME '91)** has been in Korea teaching English and Bible for six months. He will soon be back in the states working as an engineer with NASA.

## BACK TO SCHOOL

### 80's

**Paul Middleton ('83-84)** recently received his Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Minnesota.

### 90's

**Jeffrey Lawton (CH '90)** is heading for the People's Republic of China. He is studying Chinese at Shenzhen University.

## MISSIONS

### 60's

**Tim (BI '69-71)** and **Faith Brennan** are with New Tribes Mission in Brazil. They have faced very difficult situations there this past year. Their funtough will begin in 1992.

### 70'

**Rick (BI/MT '75)** and **Carol McArthur** are in Guatemala with Wycliffe Bible Translators. They are seeing progress among the Cakchiquel speaking Christians.

**Carey (MI '77-78, '86)** and **Holly Holmquist** are in Belgium with Greater Europe Mission. Carey is the Europe Construction Supervisor.

### 80's

**Jim (AT '80)** and **Judy McCabe** are now in Cameroon, Africa. They completed their language training in Belgium this summer.

**Tom (ET '80)** and **Terry Van Gorkom** wrote from Bogota, Colombia. A new government decree has the potential to

## A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT



By John Gailano  
Director of Alumni  
Relations

The word "encouragement" best describes this year's Alumni Phonathon. "So encourage each other to build each other up..." "1 Thes 5:11. One bible commentary adds "a word of encouragement offered at the right moment can be the difference between finishing well and collapsing along the way".

Your prayers and support made a difference! Scholarships were raised, which will help current students successfully complete their education. Student callers received personal encouragement talking with many alumni and friends of the University. And students lifted the many alumni prayer requests before God each night and continue to do so.

Together we are partners in the ministry of LeTourneau University. Many of you will agree with me that our education at LeTourneau has helped us to be faithful to God wherever He has lead us rather than following the ways of the world. Thank you for giving others that same help to "finishing well!"

## Alumni Future Events

March 25, 1992  
AWS Show  
Welding Alumni Dinner  
Chicago, Illinois  
April 10-12, 1992  
Alumni Homecoming  
LeTourneau University  
Longview Campus  
August 1, 1992  
EAA Aviation  
Alumni Dinner  
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

## USE OUR 800 NUMBER TO RECEIVE ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Prospective students and others interested in receiving information about enrolling at LeTourneau University may call toll free: 1-800-759-8811  
Calls to this number are answered in the admissions office and cannot be transferred to other offices.  
The number for all other calls is : 1-903-753-0231.



# Athletic Scholarships Initiated

In a recent interview Dave Diehl, Director of Athletics at LeTourneau, talked about the new athletic scholarship program and about the LeTourneau athletic program.



Dave Diehl

**Editor:** An athletic scholarship program was begun at LeTourneau in 1991. How does it work?

**Diehl:** To attract a greater number of talented athletes we began this year to offer modest scholarships in soccer, baseball, volleyball and basketball. To qualify for an athletic scholarship prospective students must fulfill all of the normal admissions requirements which apply to all other students. The athletic scholarship becomes one part of the total financial aid package offered to the athlete.

**Editor:** How will the athletic

scholarships help in recruiting athletes?

**Diehl:** For many athletes, receiving an athletic scholarship is the deciding factor in whether or not they are able to attend a college or university like LeTourneau. The scholarships enable us to attract students who not only have athletic ability but who are capable of completing a degree at LeTourneau.

**Editor:** What are your recruitment standards?

**Diehl:** The first thing we look for is athletic talent. Our goal is to develop teams that are as competitive as we can make them. Then we look for the other important personal qualities that are expected at LeTourneau; character, academic ability, and spiritual maturity. We look for athletes who will fit into life of the university and who will benefit from being here and who can make a contribution to the lives of other students.

**Editor:** LeTourneau is a member of the NAIA and the NCCAA. What are those organizations?

**Diehl:** NAIA is the National Association of Intercollegiate

Athletics. The NCCAA is the National Christian College Athletic Association. Both associations have team rankings and playoff systems in which we participate. We schedule our varsity teams to play with teams of comparable skill from other schools. The performance of the teams is ranked by the associations and the top teams advance to the playoffs. On November 26-30 LeTourneau will host the NCCAA Soccer Tournament involving 8 district winners from across the nation. This is the eighth year we have hosted the tournament which brings top teams to the campus.

**Editor:** What varsity sports are offered at LeTourneau?

**Diehl:** We offer women's cross country and volleyball and men's cross country, soccer, baseball and basketball.

**Editor:** How are the teams doing this year?

**Diehl:** They are all improving. This year we had sold performance from our 18 member cross country team, coached by Ken Roden, which includes both men and women. The soccer team suffered throughout the season from injuries, but it looks

like there will be substantial improvement coming up next year. Women's volleyball, coached by Kathy Luckert, ended their season with an 8 and 17 record. They played a tough schedule but made it to the district finals.

The basketball and baseball teams look to be the strongest teams this year. Basketball coach, Mike Stringer, has veterans returning and has some strong new players to give the team an extra boost. Baseball coach, Paul Schwindel, expects his team to be very competitive.

**Editor:** How does the future look for athletics at LeTourneau?

**Diehl:** The initiation of an athletic scholarship program is a sign that we're serious about fielding competitive teams and that the future looks bright for our athletic program. Our goal is to reach a higher level of selective excellence. We have already been able to recruit more talented athletes and we expect our teams to increase the numbers in the win column. One of our main goals is to become more competitive at the NAIA district level.

## Tours Designed to be Life Enriching

Tour members express it best: "What can we say. Every day defies description! New adventures! Wonderful experiences! Indescribable scenery! All planned with such attention to detail — and all directed with such loving care and such concern for our maximum enjoyment." "The more I reflect <on our tour>, look at pictures and tapes, and talk with others concerning what they saw and did, the more I realize how special our trip was." "Of all that we did and saw, the most impressive was the Christian group you assembled <for the tour>. Thanks for a memorable vacation."

What are these people talking about? They are re-living the very special tour Alaska Cruise or Australia-New Zealand Tour. LeTourneau tours are special. Travel is combined with the pursuit of knowledge, adventure with purpose and fellowship with inquiry. The people are of all ages and come from all over the United States. They are just like you: they enjoy travel, making friends and they enjoy being with other Christians. We would like to include you in our growing "travel family." Consider the following travel opportunities.

### TOURS FOR 1992

MAY 22-JUNE 7, 1992: GREAT BRITAIN

Join us for an exciting 17-day tour of England, Wales and Scotland. All those places you've wanted to see: Windsor Castle, Stonehenge,

Bath, Cardiff, Wales, Chester, Lake District, Loch Lomond, Isle of Skye, Loch Ness, Inverness, Stone Palace, Gleneagles, Edinburgh, York, Cambridge, Stratford-on-Avon, Oxford, Blenheim Palace, and London.

JUNE 19-JULY 5, 1992: SCANDINAVIA

Denmark, Norway and Sweden. Visit Copenhagen, Aarhus, Christiansand, Odda, Laatefoss Waterfall, Bergen, Sognefjord, Fagernes, Oslo, Karlstad, Orebro, and Stockholm.

OCTOBER 9-23, 1992: TRANS-PANAMA CANAL CRUISE

A 15 day cruise departing from San Diego and returning to Tampa, Florida. Ports of call: Puerto Vallarta, Manzanillo, Acapulco, Caldera/San Jose, Panama Canal, Montego Bay and Grand Cayman Island. We have the pick of cabins now, low rates. For further information, call or write. Just ask for Georgie Willcox, and she will be able to answer your questions:

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### HOME COMING 1992 COME HOME AND RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS

- \*Hootenanny
- \*Rope Pull
- \*Alumni Breakfast
- \*Campus Open House
- \*Baseball Game
- \*Alumni Picnic
- \*Alumni Banquet
- \*Kids Event
- \*Friends, Faculty, Memories and More!

### QUIGG EVACUATED FROM ZAIRE



LeTourneau alumnus, Steven Quigg, a missionary pilot serving his first term in Zaire under the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries, was recently evacuated from Zaire along with 43 other missionary personnel, because of citizen uprisings against the government. "I was right there watching the city of Kinshasa literally coming apart," said Quigg. Quigg is now living in Ocean Grove, New Jersey. He previously served eight and a half years as a missionary pilot in Nigeria.